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Date/Location	Incident	Facts & Description of the Incident/	Number of victims	Contact/ Sources
18/01/2005	Vandals daub swastikas on mosque	Worshippers discovered the Nazi symbols painted on the Capital Cinema Mosque, Alum Rock Road, Birmingham, when they arrived for prayer at the weekend. President of the mosque Shafdar Hussain said he was "very disappointed" over the attack as relations within the community were very good. MP Liam Byrne, (Labour, Hodge Hill) said he saw the graffiti on Saturday evening and was outraged. He told BBC News on Tuesday he is now calling on the government to fast-track new legislation they detailed last week which aims to tackle Islamophobia and make it an offence to incite religious violence. "The sooner we get this law on the statute books the better as there is no place in this city for such racial intolerance," he said. "My office informed the council first thing on Monday morning to get it removed and I have been in touch with Mr Hussain. "I was stunned when I saw it. It is unacceptable." West Midlands Police said the incident had not been reported to them.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/west_midlands/4185459.stm
15/01/2005	Man admits racist killing of refugee who defied Saddam	A man admitted to a racist attack on a Muslim man who had fled Iraq.	1	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/crime/story.jsp?story=601125
14/01/2005	British Muslim Wins Hajj Discrimination Case	A Leeds industrial tribunal has ruled in favor of a British Muslim worker unfairly sacked by his employer after taking a six-week leave to perform hajj, The Telegraph reported on Saturday, January 15. The court gave Mohammed Sajwal Khan, 43, £10,000 in compensation, saying his dismissal was violating the Employment Equality (Religion or Belief) regulations. In March, Leeds-based NIC Hygiene Ltd fired Khan from his £8,000-a-year job after he used his 25-day holiday entitlement and another week's unpaid leave to take on the spiritual journey. The bus cleaner had requested the leave but when he received no response, the Transport and General Workers' Union (TGWU) advised him to submit a written request. The company failed to respond and his manager said if he heard nothing he could assume it was all right. However, upon his return from Saudi Arabia Khan was suspended without pay and later sacked. Khan, from Bradford, had worked for NIC Hygiene Ltd since 1996. Every able-bodied adult Muslim who can physically and financially afford the trip must perform hajj, one of the "five pillars" of Islam, once in their lifetime. Hajj consists of several ceremonies, meant to symbolize the essential c	1	http://www.islamonline.net/English/News/2005-01/16/article07.shtml

13/01/2005	Muslim's 'beard sacking claim' rejected	A Muslim who claimed he was sacked by Virgin Trains for refusing to shave off his eight inch long beard has lost his employment tribunal claim.Mohsin Mohmed, 23, of St Alban's Road, Seven Kings, alleged he was given an ultimatum to choose between his facial hair and his £17,000-a-year job as customer services assistant at Euston Station.But a panel at Woburn Place Employment Tribunal rejected the claims of race and religious discrimination and upheld his sacking in February last year.It accepted the evidence of David Adams, a senior member of Virgin's staff at Euston, that Mr Mohmed was dismissed purely for poor performance. Mr Adams told the tribunal: "The length of beard was never the issue.	1	http://www.ilfordrecorder.co.uk/content/redbridge/recorder/news/story.aspx?brand=RECOOnline&category=newsIlford&tBrand=northlondon24&tCategory=newsIlford&itemid=WeED13%20Jan%202005%2010%3A56%3A10%3A263
21/12/2004	Muslim schoolgirl defends right to religious dress	A school behaved unlawfully by barring a Muslim girl who wanted to wear traditional "head-to-toe" dress in the classroom, three appeal judges were told today. Cherie Booth QC introduced her client, Shabina Begum, 15, to the judges, saying she was sitting at the back of the court wearing the jilbab covered by a cardigan. Miss Booth said the case involved "fundamental issues" about the nature and interpretation of Miss Begum's rights to education and freedom to practise her religion. "Her rights to manifest her religious beliefs should be respected," she said. Six months ago, a high court judge, Mr Justice Bennett, dismissed the girl's application for judicial review, ruling that she had failed to show that the "highly successful" 1,000-pupil Denbigh high school in Luton, Bedfordshire, with 79% of its students Muslims, had excluded her or breached her human rights. Miss Booth said the judgment of Mr Justice Bennett was saying that the school, which sent her home after she refused to wear authorised school uniform, is entitled to "pick and choose" which religious beliefs it accepts. She said: "The school is saying it is not willing to accept your particular religi	1	http://education.guardian.co.uk/faithschools/story/0,13882,1377601,00.html http://www.hindustantimes.com/news/5983_1163330_0430005.htm
21/12/2004	Five and a half years for boy who blinded Muslim	A boy of 13 who left a Muslim university graduate blind and in need of permanent care after beating him over the head with a broom was detained for five and a half years yesterday.The boy ran away laughing after knocking Yasir Abdelmouttalib to the ground and beating him as if "using an axe to chop wood".Unable to fend off the blows, Mr Abdelmouttalib, 22, lay slumped helplessly on the ground as the boy hit him four times on the head, legs and back.For weeks after the attack in June Mr Abdelmouttalib required surgery for a fractured skull, needed a tracheotomy to breathe and was fed through tubes. He remains in hospital, cannot walk and has only just started talking coherently.The boy, now 14, who was found guilty of one count of grievous bodily harm with intent, showed no emotion as judge Nicholas Madge accused him of destroying the life of Mr Abdelmouttalib and his family."You attacked him with a broom, first swinging it like a softball bat, then raising it above your head and bringing it down vertically on him," he said."Witnesses described it as a ferocious attack. One referred to the anger in your eyes, another said you were usir	1	http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml?xml=/news/2004/12/21/nabdel21.xml&sSheet=news/2004/12/21/ixhome.html

07/12/2004	Iraqi woman attacked in street	An Iraqi woman was struck across the face with a toolbox and her hijab was tugged in a racist attack in Kilburn, north-west London. The 25-year-old was was attacked on Kilburn High Road on 5 December. As she turned, her attacker spat on the ground and shouted racial abuse before hitting her with the toolbox and attempting to pull off her hijab. Police say several members of the public tried to stop the man but he managed to get away. A CCTV still of a suspect has been issued. Det Con Terry Limby said: "This was an unacceptable racial assault which took place without warning and provocation."	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/london/4074647.stm
02/12/2004	Family of Turkish asylum seeker, believe that earlier medical intervention might have saved her life.	The family have since alleged that repeated requests that she be allowed to see a doctor were ignored. Some hours later, the family were all moved to the Port of Dover detention centre where they spent the evening. The following day, at 9.40am they were taken back to the Immigration Service at Dover, where it was identified, that Elmas was suffering from medical problems. But she was not taken to hospital until she collapsed at 5.20pm, while in the custody of Migrant Helpline - some nineteen hours after arriving and first asking for help. After a series of operations, Elmas died three days later from septicaemia. The inquest, which was due to start on 1 October 2004, into her death has been delayed indefinitely as the coroner has been unable to find suitable court space to hold it. There is also some confusion as to who was responsible for Elmas Ozmico's treatment. There will be seven interested parties represented at the inquest when it finally resumes, including the family who will be represented by INQUEST Lawyers Group, the Immigration Service, Migrant Helpline and the hospital trust.	1	http://www.irr.org.uk/2004/december/ha000004.html
02/12/2004	UK police turning case against Muslim law student in Muslim race case are making a mockery of justice	Thames Valley police is turning the case against a young Muslim law student into a mockery of justice. Abdu-l-Muqtadir Mustaqim, who alleges police brutality during an arrest back in August was charged with possession of a lock knife and disorderly behaviour under section 5 of the Public Order Act. The knife charge has since been dropped when the prosecution had to admit that the lock knife was an ordinary pocket knife. Mr Mustaqim, son of Islamic Party of Britain general secretary Dr Sahib Mustaqim Bleher, attended Milton Keynes Magistrate's Court today for a pretrial review, but the case had to be adjourned once more for a week because the prosecution entered further evidence at the last minute. A new review date has been set for next week, making this the seventh court session before the main trial set for December 13 and 14. When Mr Mustaqim was arrested, handcuffed and kept in police cells without feeding for over ten hours, the police originally alleged that his vehicle did not have a valid tax disc, then tried to find faults with his documents, subsequently alleged an illegal tyre, and moved on to stolen vehicle parts. After they	1	http://mathaba.net/x.htm?http://mathaba.net/0_index.shtml?x=86021

01/12/2004	Angry scenes as terror police raid homes	Police were jostled and jeered in the early hours today after three houses were raided in an anti-terror operation. Uniformed police were standing guard today outside two redbrick terrace houses in Rusholme, Manchester, following the raids shortly before 8pm last night. A third property was also raided but its location has not been revealed. Angry scenes erupted in the early hours of this morning as the local Somali community clashed with police who removed a disabled woman from a house on Heald Place to enable forensic officers to search. Around 40 local Somali men and women jostled officers as the woman, aged around 65, was removed from the property and escorted to a friend's house by taxi. Neighbours said officers, some of them armed, burst into the houses at around 7.50pm last night. Residents claimed two men, named locally as Mohammed Omar, 30, and Omar Omar, 18, were arrested although this was not confirmed by Greater Manchester Police. A second redbrick terrace house on Great Western Street, less than two minutes' walk from the Heald Place property, was taped off and two police officers stood watch outside. I	1+	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/crime/story.jsp?story=588567
01/12/2004	Race hate gang beat asian Muslims in street	THREE young Muslim men were brutally beaten by a gang of 15 youths in what police described as a "dreadful racial attack". Cousins Yasar Amjad and Usman Anjum and friend Shahid Iqbal were walking to the shops in suburban Heald Green, Stockport when the gang began verbally abusing them. They tried to ignore the yobs but were pelted with beer cans, before being surrounded by the gang. Usman, a trainee doctor at Manchester Royal Infirmary, who moved to Britain only two months ago, was kicked and punched to the ground. And when Yasar, a 16-year-old pupil at Manchester Grammar School, went to help his cousin, he was punched and kicked in the head. Shahid, 29, was then dragged into the brawl on Finney Lane before the trio managed to run into the nearby Co-op store. The owner locked the shop doors and closed the shutter, with the gang continuing to shout obscenities from outside. The three were later taken to Wythenshawe Hospital where they were treated for cuts and bruises. Usman also suffered a broken nose. Police are treating the attack, which happened around 9.45pm on Friday, as racially motivated. Usman s	1+	http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/news/news.php?article=8480
30/11/2004	Boys, 14, beat Muslim student in racist attack, then police quiz beaten man about link to Islamic Extremists	Yesterday the trial ended of three 14-year-old boys accused of a vicious attack on the 22-year-old university graduate as he waited for a bus in Willesden, north-west London, one Friday afternoon in June. The jury heard how three boys taunted and spat at Mr Abdelmoultalib through the bus window and how, when he remonstrated, one boy took ferocious revenge. Mr Abdelmoultalib, a tall, slight figure, was repeatedly punched and kicked and struck in the head with a heavy roadsweepers' broom. One teenager was convicted at Harrow crown court of causing grievous bodily harm with intent and will be sentenced on December 20. Two others, who denied taking part in the attack, were acquitted. Mr	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/race/story/0,11374,1362326,00.html
25/11/2004	Hoax terror letter targets Muslims	Police in south-east London have launched an inquiry after finding a letter bearing the logo of the Greater London Assembly (GLA), which urged local residents to	1+	http://www.dehavilland.co.uk/webhost.asp?wci=default&wcp=NationalNewsStoryPage&ItemID=7158267&Ser

24/11/2004	Arab loses eye in attack by soldiers outside London nightclub.	Five members of the Household Cavalry have been arrested over an attack in which a wealthy Arab lost an eye. An army spokesman confirmed that five members of the Household Cavalry were arrested and released on bail. "They are back at work," he said. One of his attackers thrust a bottle into the 23-year-old victim's face, causing such serious injuries that he lost the sight of his left eye. The soldiers were held by police after Adnan Said was assaulted outside an nightclub in Knightsbridge. The Syrian student was set upon outside the Wellington Club where he was heading with friends and family. Mr Said is now being treated at the Western Eye Hospital in Marylebone. His uncle Wafic Said, 65, is a Syrianborn billionaire who is now a citizen of Saudi Arabia. In the late Eighties he brokered a ?20billion arms deal between the Thatcher government and Saudi Arabia. Five troopers were arrested after Friday's incident, which is being treated by police as grievous bodily harm. The	1	http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/news/news.php?article=8462
19/11/2004	Prison Service blamed for death of inmate	Zahid Mubarek might be alive today if the Prison Service had not missed 14 opportunities to save him from his racist, psychopathic cellmate, an inquiry heard yesterday. The 19-year-old was beaten to death with a table leg by Robert Stewart on the day he was to be released from Feltham young offenders institution. The prison officer who placed them in a cell together had no information about Stewart's violent history. A nurse who diagnosed him as a psychopath suggested no treatment was necessary. His repeatedly aggressive and racist letters were not intercepted and when he began to dismantle and make weapons out of the table in the cell days before the murder, officers failed to notice. The catalogue of failures was revealed on the first day of an inquiry in London, chaired by Mr Justice Keith, into how Mubarek came to die in custody and whether it was as a result of incompetence or racism amongst the staff. The hearings, the first to be held into a racist killing in custody, have been compared to the inquiry into the death of Stephen Lawrence. Mubarek's mother and father, Sajida and Amin - who have fought a four-y	1	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/legal/story.jsp?story=584398
19/11/2004	Teens jailed for racist killing	Michael Evans and James Carney ran off laughing after the assault on 2 April this year, an Old Bailey jury was told. Their victim, Akberali Mohamedally, 80, suffered	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/london/4025329.stm
18/11/2004	Muslim woman threatened on street	Van pulled up onto the pavement and drove towards woman in Hijab at about 10/15 mph, at about 7ft away he then pulled off and slowed the vehicle down and gave her a dirty look.	1	FAIR Casework
17/11/2004	Egyptian asylum seeker wins case to stay in UK despite efforts of Prime Minister to deport him.	The Guardian revealed yesterday how Mr Blair intervened in the case in an attempt to deport Mr Youssef, despite being told by the then home secretary, Jack Straw, and Foreign Office officials that the man was at risk of being tortured. Mr Youssef's lawyer, Irene Nembhard, of Birnberg Peirce, said: "Most worrying was that the evidence suggested that the prime minister was determined to see Mr Youssef returned to Egypt without displaying an equal concern to ensure that if returned, he would be protected from torture and inhuman or degrading treatment".	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/Refugees_in_Britain/Story/0,2763,1352800,00.html
17/11/2004	Muslim man shot in back	Police say a man shot dead in Greater Manchester was visiting relatives to celebrate a Muslim festival.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/manchester/4018947.stm

09/11/2004	Muslim Schoolboy 'faced racist bullying'	Zulfiqar Hussein, 46, from Halifax, West Yorkshire, was shot in the back at a block of flats in Rochdale on Sunday. A 35-year-old man arrested in connection with the shooting is still being questioned by officers.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/somerset/3994193.stm
08/11/2004	Stay-at-home protest as schools ban Islamic dress	PARENTS and pupils in one of Britain's largest Muslim communities have clashed with their council after the introduction of a ban on girls wearing strict Islamic dress to school. At least three girls are staying away from classes in protest at the ban in the London borough of Tower Hamlets. Others face possible expulsion by continuing to wear the clothing in defiance of the restriction. Schools in the borough, following council guidelines, have banned pupils from wearing the jilbab, a long dress that leaves only the face and hands uncovered. Headscarves are allowed. Muslim girls in Tower Hamlets have been wearing the jilbab to school for a number of years. Many pupils and parents are angry that the ban has been implemented during Ramadan, the Islamic holy month. The council argues that the move is necessary to comply with school uniform rules and for health and safety reasons. It is claimed that pupils wearing the jilbab may trip over the garment or catch it in machinery during science lessons.	1+	http://www.timesonline.co.uk/newspaper/0,,176-1348170,00.html
04/11/2004	Racists target Islamic High School for Girls	RACISTS are forcing south Manchester's only Muslim school for girls to spend over £24,000 on security. After repeated attacks on its premises the Manchester Islamic High School For Girls on High Lane, Chorlton, plans to install spy cameras inside and outside the building, erect a metal fence and gate, put barbed wire on walls and replace a large waste bin torched by vandals. Head Aminata Sessay said the expenditure was "necessary because of a spate of attacks by vandals. She said: "We have had racist graffiti painted on the building telling us to go home and supporting the BNP. "We have windows smashed and the school broken into by people who rampaged through the classrooms and we have had cash and computers stolen.""On one occasion when the school was being used for evening classes vandals pushed a sword through a gate they were trying to force."Another headache is the need for urgent fire safety work. Officers from the Greater Manchester Fire Service who inspected the school in July found it did not meet current safety standards. They found, for example, that the lessons bell also serves as the fire alarm bell. Staff were to	1+	http://www.southmanchesterreporter.co.uk/news/index/articles/article_id=15173.html
28/10/2004	Mosque windows smashed, religious artwork destroyed and Koran thrown to the ground.	VANDALS attacked a mosque in Salford - smashing windows, destroying religious artworks and throwing the Koran to the ground. Officials at the Eccles and Salford Islamic Centre believe the gang was disturbed by the Imam, who returned to the mosque unexpectedly. Otherwise the damage could have been worse. The attack happened late on Friday night. Secretary general Ali Anees says the incident has caused distress in the community. He is appealing for people living nearby to be on the look-out in future.	1+	http://www.manchesteronline.co.uk/news/s/134/134697_mosque_hit_in_vandal_attack.html

07/10/2004	Muslim reservist loses Iraq legal case	Muslim reservist who refused to take part in the war in Iraq because of his religious beliefs today lost his appeal against an RAF prosecution for going absent without leave. Leading Aircraftsman Mohisin Khan, of Ipswich, Suffolk, absented himself from duty between February 24 and March 5 last year on the grounds of conscientious objection. His absence resulted in his arrest, charge and punishment by the RAF, and he was fined nine days' pay and seven days' privileges. Mr Khan was last year mobilised, with others, to return to the regular forces and supplement service personnel in the conflict. The high court was today told the 25-year-old held a "genuine and deep belief" that the approaching war was both wrong and contrary to his religion. He said he did not want to be asked to fight against fellow Muslims, and felt he could not condone any military action against another state that had not come by way of "self-defence". However, Lord Justice Rix and Mr Justice Forbes, sitting in London, ruled that there was no interference with his rights "by reason of the appellant's recall, arrest, prosecution or conviction". They backed a decision by th	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,,1321847,00.html
06/10/2004	Asbo Boy, 14, Must Halt Violent Race Hate Campaign	A teenage boy has been given an indefinite anti-social behaviour order after waging a race hate campaign against a Muslim family, it emerged today. Aaron Blinks, 14, threw bottles and stones at the family's 12-year-old son during a series of attacks that spanned several months. The teenager, of Culcheth Lane, Newton Heath, Manchester, hurled racist abuse at the family, shot at them with a ball-bearing gun and smashed the windscreen of their car. He also threw fireworks at the youngster and threatened to attack him when he refused to buy a bag of marijuana. Magistrates in Manchester imposed the order at a hearing on September 28. The blanket ban forbids Blinks from using racist, insulting or offensive language or behaviour in public, including the use of the word "Paki", anywhere in the UK. He is also banned from carrying or using any weapon, including a ball-bearing gun, or any article capable of being used as a weapon. He cannot throw stones, fireworks or other missiles. Breach of the ASBO could result in a fine of up to £5,000 or detention or jail up to five years. He has previously been found guilty of possession of cannabis and c	1+	http://news.scotsman.com/latest.cfm?id=3590950
04/10/2004	Arson attack on Asian restaurant	An Asian restaurant has been targeted by arsonists after a blaze was started with a home-made incendiary device, police say. Firefighters were called to the Jinnah restaurant, on the A64, at Barton-le-Willows - between York and Malton - at 3.20am on Saturday. The fire caused a small amount of damage and live-in staff were not hurt. Police want to hear from anyone who passed the scene between 2am and 3am.	1+	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/north_yorkshire/3711218.stm

28/09/2004	Racist attack leaves student living in fear	<p>A racist act left a fourth year student fearing for his safety last week. The Muslim student, who wishes to remain anonymous, found meat products left on his doorstep. Bacon was posted through his letterbox, while Spam, black pudding, and other meats were found outside the door.</p> <p>Police believe the attack was premeditated, as the consumption of pork and blood products is explicitly prohibited by the Islamic religion. The victim told Student: "I was just leaving to go to a lecture when I saw the bacon. "I thought it was a joke to begin with, but when I opened the door, I didn't know what to think. "When I came back from the lecture I locked the door and have done ever since. "Its awful, I feel scared in my own house."</p> <p>Sohaib Saeed, president of the university's Islamic Society, told Student of his disgust at recent similar occurrences in the city. He was particularly angered by the vile nature of the attack, saying: "This is another example of the Islamophobia we're seeing more and more of. "This attack wasn't sophisticated or clever, it was pure and simple dirty racism. "Nothing can excuse this sort of behaviour."</p> <p>The attack was not an isolated incident, with several prior events in the city indicating Others had their houses daubed with offensive graffiti. The professor blamed the right "Although I would still like to think that the vast majority of students - and the broader "The Students' Association would be keen to hear from groups within the student bod</p>	1	http://www.studentnewspaper.org/view_article.php?article_id=20040927152437
21/09/2004	Suspect held at 'mini-Guantanamo' for three years	David Blunkett's emergency anti-terrorism laws came under fire last night after he ruled a suspect interned without trial for nearly three years no longer posed a	1	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/crime/story.jsp?story=564031
20/09/2004	RACIST thugs have plastered abusive graffiti over an Asian family's brand-new £250,000 home in a sickening attack.	<p>RACIST thugs have plastered abusive graffiti over an Asian family's brand-new £250,000 home in a sickening attack. The shocking incident has horrified neighbours and sparked outrage from community leaders, politicians and racial equality activists. The attack took place at night on the unoccupied four-bedroom detached house, which has just been built in a plush new Miller Homes development in Silverknowes. The racists used black and red spray paint to daub slogans such as "No Pakis" and "Black B*****" on the front, rear and side of the building. Some of the abusive graffiti was misspelt. The initials of the British National Front, an overtly racist minority group, were also spray-painted on the walls of the house. The vandals had tried unsuccessfully to break into the house to continue their mindless attack. The attack has horrified families who have just moved into Silverknowes Gate, an upmarket development of three and four-bedroom properties which runs off Silverknowes Road. Those who have bought homes include at least one other Asian family. Jalal Chaudry, who is chairman of the Lothian Racial Equality in Housing grou</p>	1+	http://edinburghnews.scotsman.com/edinburgh.cfm?id=1092702004
17/09/2004	Jail option for drunk cabbie beater	<p>The bench ordered reports with all options including imprisonment to be taken into consideration in the case of 21-years-old Simon Duxbury, of Bridge Bank Road, Littleborough, who admitted charges of assaulting Rashid Khan causing actual bodily harm and causing £250 worth of criminal damage to a taxi meter.</p> <p>The taxi driver Mr Khan who had remonstrated with the defendant for pulling out his taxi meter and walking off with it, was taken by ambulance to hospital, bleeding heavily and suffering from jaw injuries.</p>	1	http://www.theasiannews.co.uk/news/index/11378.html

17/09/2004	Suspected West Indian gang attack Somalis	A TEENAGER was stabbed just inches from his heart when he hurled himself in front of a knife-man to protect a friendThe have-a-go hero sprang into action when a "racist" mob attacked his pal on a packed tram late last Friday.When one gang member pulled out a nine-inch butterfly knife, he threw himself in front of the weapon.The attacker plunged the blade into the teenager's chest just inches above his heart and then slashed him across the face.The 19-year-old was rushed to hospital where he has recovered from the attack and has since been hailed as a hero by police.He told the Croydon Advertiser: "Those guys would have killed my friend. I'd do the same again."The attack happened when the teenager, his two cousins aged 14 and 16 and two friends - all Somalis - were returning on a tram from a football match. As the tram reached Croydon town centre at 11.50pm, they were set upon by the gang who singled out one of the group and punched him in the face. DC Neville Agnew, of British Transport Police, said: "This was a violent, ferocious attack. The blade entered his chest near his left armpit and was just inches	1+	http://icsouthlondon.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0225croydon/tm_objectid=14654020&method=full&siteid=53340&headline=suspected-west-indian-gang-attack-somalis-name_page.html
17/09/2004	25 year old found dead with a fractured skull in Queens Road, central Reading	Khurrum Liaquat, 25, was found with a fractured skull in Queens Road, central Reading, after a night out on Tuesday. He came to the UK from Pakistan three years ago to study computing and lived with aunts and uncles in Reading. His aunt Shazia Aslam said: "Khurrum was so loved. He was the oldest cousin and all the younger ones looked up to him. They loved him so much." At the time of his death, Mr Liaquat was helping out in the family-run Star takeaway while planning his next step in life, say police. Michael Boswell, 21, from Spencer's Wood, is due to appear before magistrates in Reading on Friday charged with Mr Liaquat's murder.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/berkshire/3664952.stm
15/09/2004	Investigation into arrest of Muslim student	The Independent Police Complaints Commission is prioritising an investigation into the arrest and alleged mistreatment of a Muslim student last month by using its own staff to make inquiries. It is only the eighth matter to be examined directly by the group, which replaced the Police Complaints Authority in April. Abdul-Muqtadir Mustaqim was pulled over by Thames Valley police in Milton Keynes on August 23. He will appear before magistrates in the city this morning, charged with possession of a bladed weapon and a public order offence. The 19-year-old law student told the Guardian that officers initially said they had stopped him because they believed his car was not taxed. When he showed them the valid tax disc they questioned him over a series of other matters before searching and arresting him, allegedly manhandling him despite his lack of resistance. Thames Valley police said they welcomed the investigation, but could not comment further on the case.	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,1304757.00.html

13/09/2004	Muslim held in terror raid 'suffered 50 injuries'	CPS declines to prosecute despite medical report on alleged assault A British Muslim man arrested during a terrorism raid suffered 50 separate injuries after being repeatedly kicked, punched and stamped upon, according to a medical report seen by the Guardian. The Crown Prosecution Service yesterday announced that no officer would be charged for allegedly assaulting Babar Ahmad, who was arrested in December 2003 at his south London home. Mr Ahmad was released after six days without charge and made an official complaint about the alleged assault. He claims that as kicks and punches rained down on him he was taunted by an officer saying: "Where is your God now?" But last month he was arrested again, after the US requested his extradition, alleging he ran a support network for terrorists in Chechnya and Afghanistan. Friends and supporters condemned the CPS decision and officers involved in the raid could still face disciplinary charges. Mr Ahmad was yesterday remanded in custody by Bow Street magistrates pending a full extradition hearing. After Mr Ahmad's first arrest he was examined by a consultant in accident ar	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/terrorism/story/0,12780,1302028,00.html
09/09/2004	Muslim man suffering religious/racial discrimination at workplace in West London	FAR contacted by Muslim man working in Southall who has been facing discrimination at work. Fellow non-white colleagues are also facing discrimination by an all-white senior management team. Muslim employees are facing greater discrimination.	1+	FAIR Casework
09/09/2004	Man suffers racial/religious discrimination in employment at vodofone	FAIR was contacted by a man who was dismissed at a Vodofone branch. He was constructively dismissed and is claiming that his employers racially and religiously discriminated against him. They prevented him from praying during his lunch break because of 'security reason's and mocked the acts of praying. He said they had double standards for managers and white colleagues and picked on Asains.	1	FAIR Casework
08/09/2004	four men were arrested under the Terrorism Act 2000 in Southampton	Four terrorism suspects are being questioned by police in Hampshire after being arrested in raids on Tuesday. The four men were arrested under the Terrorism Act 2000 in Kenilworth Road, Polygon, central Southampton. The men, aged between 26 and 34, are currently being held at separate police stations in Hampshire. A police spokeswoman said they recovered "a substantial amount of paperwork" from the house during a search completed on Tuesday evening. Next door neighbour Dan Romani, 20, described the four men as "the quietest neighbours you could have". Mr Romani, a graphic design student, told BBC News Online: "There were a number of police in full riot gear, including one with a baton for breaking down a door. "It must have been a very smooth process as I didn't hear anything and it didn't even wake my girlfriend up. "I moved in a month ago and they keep themselves to themselves. "They are the quietest neighbours you could have. "I have heard them talking in a foreign language in the hallway, but never in English." Mr Romani said a mat was always kept across the back window of the top floor flat, preventing people f	4	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/hampshire/3634878.stm
07/09/2004	Muslim man victim of a race hate campaign in Basildon	Over six months, death threats have been sprayed on walls, and windows broken at Sarfraz Sarwar's home, which doubles as Basildon's Islamic Centre.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/essex/3634840.stm

07/09/2004	29-year-old Iraqi murdered in Swansea	Police are appealing for witnesses to the murder of a 29-year-old Iraqi in Swansea in what they believe was a racially-motivated attack. The man was assaulted early on Monday in Kingsway, in the city centre, and died later in hospital. South Wales Police believe the assault, outside The Potter's Wheel pub, was carried out at about 0136 BST by a white man. The victim is not being named until his next of kin have been informed. Police said the attacker was accompanied by two other white men. All are described as in their early 20s. Det Chief Insp Layton Bennetta said: "This was an unprovoked attack which is being treated as a racist incident.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/go/em/-/1/hi/wales/3632436.stm
06/09/2004	Mosque hall blaze was arson, say police	A banqueting hall at a Birmingham mosque was destroyed in an suspected arson, just two months after it opened. More than 35 firefighters had to tackle the blaze at the Regents Hall, next to the Hussainia Mosque, in Regent Park Road, Small Heath. The building, which had been bought and run by charity organisation Idaara Maarif e Islam, opened to the public in July and a dozen events had been due to be held this month. West Midlands Fire Service's fire investigation officers have inspected the debris and police forensic team will examine the site later today. The fire happened on Friday and Syed Sakhawat Hussain Shah, the charity's chairman, said yesterday: "So much time and money was spent on opening this hall by the local community, that the end result is a shock for us all.	1+	http://icbirmingham.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/post/tm_objectid=14609757&method=full&siteid=50002&headline=mosque-hall-blaze-was-arson--say-police-name_page.html
06/09/2004	Racist hurls abuse at Muslim during prayer	A RACIST who hurled verbal abuse at members of Melksham's Bangladeshi community has been invited to learn more about the Asian culture by the people he insulted. Mark Weston, 26, stormed into the town's Bangladeshi Community Centre while Muslims were in the middle of prayer, and shouted racist abuse at 42-year-old Abul Shamsuddin as his two young children watched. In a second incident last July Weston, who lives in a flat above the community centre, hurled abuse at 35-year-old Nazim Uddin as he walked through Melksham town centre, calling him 'rag head'.	1+	http://www.thisiswiltshire.co.uk/wiltshire/melksham/news/MELKSHAM_NEWS_LOCAL2.html
03/09/2004	ARSON ATTACK: Asylum seeker tells of fire bomb terror	A TERRIFIED asylum seeker has spoken of his terror after a petrol bomb was thrown at his flat in an attack that firefighters say could have caused "catastrophic" loss of life. The arsonist hurled the fire bomb at the window of Mohammed Bakhtiar's ground-floor flat of a block at Tyesdale, Bretton, Peterborough, which houses more than 100 people, many of them asylum seekers. The impact and explosion caused the window to smash and flames shot into the 19-year-old Iraqi's front room. As thick black smoke poured up the side of the building and into the rest of the flats, the automatic fire alarm was triggered, sparking panic. Dozens of scared residents had to negotiate the labyrinth of narrow winding corridors to escape the choking fumes. Mr Bakhtiar, whose flat window was also shattered by jobs just a day before Monday's bomb attack, has been living in Peterborough for two and a half years, and works for the Bourne Salads factory, in Spalding Road, Bourne. He said: "I was in the building's security office when a friend ran towards me waving his arms and saying my flat was on fire." I am now scared to stay here and am going crazy because	1	http://www.peterboroughtoday.co.uk/ViewArticle2.aspx?SectionID=845&ArticleID=848017

02/09/2004	Disabled Muslim revert, has three children and one grandson, her family has been subjected to years of Islamophobic abuse.	Family was tormented and abused in Sheffield, so moved to Nottingham but continue to face harrasment. The family have suffered verbal and physical abuse. Clothes on her washing line have been set on fire, eggs and stone thrown at their home. Her children assaulted, in one incident her daughter had a bucket of paint thrown over her. Her children have been unable to leave their home in the summer holidays, 'feel like prisoners in own home'.The police have been informed of their situation but as of date have been unable to out an end to the abuse the family are suffering. One of the policeman had to be reprimanded because of a failure to deal with the family's case properly.	1+	FAIR Casework
01/09/2004	inquiry into claims of racially-motivated assaults by prison officers at Leeds Prison.	It has been alleged that Asian and black inmates were verbally abused, unfairly denied access to facilities and punched and kicked by prison staff. The allegations surfaced in April, after an Asian prisoner, Shahid Aziz, was found dead in his cell at Leeds.Lawyers for some of the prisoners want the commission to set up an inquiry. Ethnic minority inmates said they had been victims of assaults. Five provided details of alleged attacks by a small number of prison officers.	1+	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/west_yorkshire/3616512.stm
01/09/2004	'I dared to seek for the truth in a false world'	Babar Ahmad was arrested a month ago. He is in custody facing extradition to the US, where he faces Guantanamo-style "justice".Babar was first arrested in December when he was released after a week in custody. A doctor who examined him says Babar was badly beaten while he was in custody.Babar Ahmad has never been charged with any crime.	1	http://www.socialistworker.co.uk/article.php4?article_id=2161
31/08/2004	Prisoner 'A': no charge, no trial, no conviction and no release date. Welcome to Britain's war on	In the first interview with a detainee under the government's emergency powers, Martin Bright reveals the life of a father trapped in legal limbo An Algerian in his late thirties walks nervously into a prison chapel at Woodhill high-security jail in Milton Keynes. For some reason, the authorities have decided that a Christian place of worship is the best place for this devout Muslim to tell his story. But the venue is the least of the problems for Mr A, who has been certified by Home Secretary David Blunkett as a terrorist: an Islamist extremist with links to Chechen rebels, Algerian armed groups and at least one known al-Qaeda suspect held in Britain. We cannot name Mr A because his anonymity is protected by a court order to guarantee the safety of his family in Britain and Algeria. Along with 11 other foreign detainees incarcerated under the Anti-Terrorism, Crime and Security Act, he exists in a penal no-man's-land and can be kept in jail indefinitely. He is charged with no offence by a British police officer, convicted of no crime by a jury, but judged such a risk to the public by MI5, the security service, that he can be detained until Blunkett ju The paradoxes of his situation are multiple. He has been detained without trial precisely because he is innocent. Last October, SIAC decided that Mr A had procured material for Arab Islamists fighting in Chechnya. He comes from near the eastern Algerian coastal city of Annaba, close to the Tunisia border. Incredibly, his family in Algeria does not know he is in prison. He still speaks to them. He knows that he will be questioned by the authorities when he arrives in Algeria, but they will not tell him why. Yet supporters of the detainees point out that in their 30 months of detention no attention has been paid to their families. 'I cannot see my family destroyed under my eyes. I divorce you, Britain,' he says, before	1+	http://observer.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,,1292998,00.html

31/08/2004	Pay out over prison racist	<p>A COMPUTER engineer who was slapped and racially abused by a prison officer has been given £17,500 by the Home Office.</p> <p>Shahid Farooq, aged 25, from Werneth, Oldham, Greater Manchester, was granted the out-of-court settlement following the opening of a civil case at Manchester county court which heard he had been attacked by a prison officer at Hindley remand centre near Wigan in August, 1997.</p> <p>He spent two months at the centre, where he says the assault took place on his last day as he went to collect his clothes before the court hearing which freed him. He said: "As I went to get my clothes, the man behind the desk just attacked me and began shouting racist abuse and threatening me. I think he was trying to get me into a back room, but didn't manage to because other prisoners protested.</p> <p>"The worrying part about it was that he did this in front of other officers and Group 4 workers, too. I was petrified and even today I worry about what he could have done if there had not been so many other people around at the time."</p>	1	http://www.theasiannews.co.uk/news/index/11324.html
24/08/2004	Police assault British Muslim in custody for calling them racist	<p>After having arrested the son of Islamic Party general secretary Dr Sahib Mustaqim Bleher for calling a police officer racist when they couldn't find anything wrong with his car, Milton Keynes police abused the 19-year old law student Abdu-I-Muqtadir Mustaqim when holding him in custody for more than 8 hours without feeding him or giving him water.</p> <p>When Abdu-I-Muqtadir was finally released and charged with using offensive language in public as well as possession of an offensive weapon, a small ornamental Arabian-style pocket knife his father had gifted him for his 10th birthday and which he kept in his car's glove compartment, he was severely bruised in the face, the wrists and the shins and is currently being assessed at Milton Keynes General Hospital's accident and emergency department.</p>	1	http://mathaba.net/x.htm?http://mathaba.net/0_index.shtml?x=67725
20/08/2004	Jailed Muslims angry over pork on menu	<p>British prison officials have issued a written apology to suspected Muslim terrorist Abu Hamza and others for offering pork as a prison dinner, The Sun reports. Prison governor Geoff Hughes sent a letter of apology to all inmates, saying the mistake should never have happened.</p> <p>Spicy pork chops were described as suitable for Halal diets. Clearly that is nonsense, he wrote.</p>	1+	http://feeds.bignewsnetwork.com/?sid=579435513f039eac

19/08/2004	Solicitor alleges police Islamophobia	<p>The solicitor representing six of the eight men remanded yesterday on terrorism-related charges has filed a formal complaint with police alleging they treated her in a racist and Islamophobic manner. Muddassar Arani claimed yesterday that officers at Paddington Green police station in London had told her clients that they would be better off with another lawyer and passed them business cards for other firms even when they expressed their satisfaction with her services. On other occasions detectives told the men that they could be interviewed without their lawyer present if they preferred. She also alleged that officers from SO13, the anti-terrorism branch, had told her they were searching her clients because they had "so many consultations" with her, and they had not allowed her to explain to the men that charges were about to be put to them.</p> <p>"They said, 'Change your solicitors, you'd be better off with somebody else,'" Ms Arani said.</p> <p>"They also said, 'We think you are not being given independent legal advice,' and, 'You can speak to us without your lawyer.'</p> <p>"They wouldn't do that to a white lawyer who [represented] more than one of the detainees. She said her clients had filed a formal statement saying they were happy to be represented."</p>	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,1285903,00.html
17/08/2004	Anger over Algerian terror suspect cases	<p>The men were arrested in Edinburgh in December 2002 on suspicion of planning a terrorist attack but later released.</p> <p>They protested their innocence at a news conference and insisted they have no links with terrorism.</p> <p>The men said they are innocent asylum seekers who are being unfairly treated because they are Muslim and claimed that the UK Government is putting lives at risk by relying on inaccurate intelligence information.</p>	1+	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/scotland/3571570.stm
17/08/2004	Terror police accused of abuse	<p>Terrorism suspects who must be charged or released today after two weeks of questioning have been psychologically abused by police, their solicitor has claimed.</p> <p>The men were arrested in a series of high-profile raids by M15 and anti-terrorism officers and have been held at the top-security Paddington Green police station in London.</p> <p>Mudassar Arani, a solicitor for seven of the nine Muslim men, accused the police of keeping them in solitary confinement for 12 days, and stopping three of the suspects from reading the Qur'an by removing their spectacles.</p>	1+	http://www.guardian.co.uk/terrorism/story/0,12780,1284659,00.html
16/08/2004	£17,500 payout over remand centre abuse	<p>A COMPUTER engineer who says he was slapped and racially abused by a prison officer has been given £17,500 by the Home Office.</p> <p>Shahid Farooq, 25, from Werneth, Oldham, was granted the out-of-court settlement following the opening of a civil case at Manchester county court which heard he had been attacked by a prison officer at Hindley remand centre near Wigan in August, 1997. Ms Arani said: "These are psychological tricks they are using to crack them."</p> <p>"It's an abuse; detention is not there to psychologically break them. They have been in solitary confinement for 14 days. It is tough to survive that."</p>	1	http://www.manchestersonline.co.uk/news/s/126/126712_17500_payout_over_remand_centre_abuse.html

12/08/2004	Police worker's 'racism' claims rejected	A UK national of Iranian origin, outlined his allegation as he fought to persuade the tribunal that he should be allowed to pursue the race discrimination claim. The tribunal rejected his plea, though Mr Sait will be allowed to pursue a separate claim for unfair dismissal. Tribunal chairman Ralph Barton pointed out that the race claim was submitted too late and had lacked sufficient specific detail. Mr Sargon told the hearing that he left his job with the force in October last year because he felt he had no other option after suffering years of harassment, bullying, and discrimination	1	http://www.newsandstar.co.uk/news/viewarticle.aspx?id=123262
11/08/2004	Branson firm 'sacked Muslim for having beard'	Mohsin Mohmed, 22, from Ilford, east London, is taking Virgin Trains to an employment tribunal after losing his job as a customer services assistant at Euston station in London. Virgin denies the claim of discrimination and claims that Mr Mohmed was dismissed after his probationary period for poor performance. Mr Mohmed, who is Muslim, is said to have told rail bosses his faith required him to have a beard at least one fist's length, about four inches. According to his claim, he had been told to crop the beard in September last year by his manager David Adams, a month after starting his £17,000-a-year job. Mr Mohmed alleges that Mr Adams regularly harassed him and that he had explained how he trimmed his beard on a number of occasions to the minimum required by his religion.	1	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/legal/story.jsp?story=550178
06/08/2004	Muslims condemn man's detention	Moderate Muslim groups yesterday condemned the detention of a man in Britain on a US extradition warrant that alleges he used the internet to raise funds for the execution of acts of terrorism in Chechnya and Afghanistan. Babar Ahmad, 30, was arrested in Kensington under an extradition warrant issued by Bow Street magistrates court. He was taken to a central London police station where he remains in custody. Mr Ahmad, of Tooting, south London, is due to appear at Bow Street today. Muslim groups branded the arrest victimisation. Mr Ahmad had claimed police who raided his home in December mocked him, saying "where is your god now" as they searched for evidence linking him to terrorism and allegedly smashed his prayer room. Eventually they released him without charge.	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,1277589,00.html
04/08/2004	Police quiz 12 men after terror raids across UK	Anti-terrorism police arrested 13 men suspected of planning terror acts in raids across England yesterday. The men, in their 20s and 30s, were arrested in north-west London, Hertfordshire, Luton, Bedfordshire, and Blackburn, Lancashire. Today police said one of the men arrested in Willesden, north London, had been "de arrested" and released without further action.	13	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/crime/story.jsp?story=547714
04/08/2004	First man in Britain evicted for being racist	A YOB who terrorised a family is the first person to be thrown out of his home for racial abuse. John Ward, 61, was prosecuted under new anti-social behaviour laws after he attacked, threatened and abused Somali neighbour Amina Mohamed, 32, and her seven young children. Once he left her nine-year-old daughter sobbing after he ripped off her religious headscarf and threw it down.	8	http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/allnews/tm_objectid=14489477&method=full&siteid=50143&headline=reclaim-our-streets--get-out-name_page.html

03/08/2004	Muslim man 's unemployment benefits cut upon his refusing job at M & S	A Muslim man has had his unemployment benefits stopped as a result of his refusing a job at M & S due to ethical reasons and despite clarifying that he was willing to work elsewhere. When interviewed, he was apparently not given the opportunity to explain his reasons for refusing the job.	1	FAIR Casework
20/07/2004	Muslim Reservist Starts Landmark Awol Legal Battle	A Muslim reservist airman who refused to take part in the Iraq war because of his religious beliefs today launched a landmark legal battle over his prosecution by the RAF for going absent without leave. Leading Aircraftsman Mohisin Khan, 25, from Ipswich, Suffolk, absented himself from duty on the grounds of conscientious objection. Mr Khan, an aircraftsman and medic, had been mobilised with others last year to return to the regular forces to supplement service personnel in the Iraq war. But he held a "genuine and deep belief" that the pending war was wrong and contrary to his religion. He said he did not want to be asked to fight against fellow Muslims and felt he could not condone any military action which was not by way of "self-defence" against another state. Two High Court judges in London heard today that his absence resulted in his arrest, charge and punishment by the RAF. He was fined nine days' pay and seven days' privileges.	1	http://news.scotsman.com/latest.cfm?id=3225963
19/07/2004	City firm faces fresh claims of racism	A Muslim former employee of a financial multinational is suing the company, alleging he was racially abused for more than two years after the September 11 attacks before being driven out of his job. Yaldrem Majeed, 35, was an assistant vice-president for Citigroup, and claims he was driven to sue after the firm ignored his complaints, according to court documents seen by the Guardian.	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/race/story/0,11374,1264109,00.html http://icthewharf.icnetwork.co.uk/business/business/tm_objectid=14448946&method=full&siteid=71670&headline=bank-in-race-hate-dispute-name_page.htm
14/07/2004	Muslim man attacked	DETECTIVES in Aberdeen were yesterday trying to trace a group of six people, believed to include two or three women, after an Asian man was brutally assaulted in a suspected racist attack in the city centre. The victim, who is originally from Bangladesh, was left lying in a pool of blood in Union Street after he was assaulted by one of the group, using an unidentified weapon. The man was knocked over and kicked on the head while he lay on the pavement. Inspector Hamish Sandison, of Grampian Police, said yesterday that the attack happened at 3am on Sunday as two Asian men, aged 35 and 26, were confronted by six people, possibly including two or three females, on the south pavement of Union Street, near Bridge Street. He said: "An altercation occurred and one of the males in the group assaulted the younger of the two Asians with a weapon, knocking him to the ground and kicking him about the head while he lay there." "The assailant and the group of people he was with then walked away, leaving the victim lying on the pavement and bleeding profusely from his head." He added: "It has not yet been ascertained if the motive for the assault was racist. The victim was taken by ambulance to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary and admitted. His in	1	http://news.scotsman.com/aberdeen.cfm?id=799992004

30/07/2004	Blunkett takes to city streets to heal rift over Muslim terrorist gaffe	The Home Secretary sparked widespread anger last November when he said Sajid Badat, who was arrested in Gloucester, posed "a very real threat to the life and liberty of our country". He then went on to make a direct link between Badat and al-Qaeda. Since those off-the-cuff remarks - Badat was yet to be charged - Mr Blunkett has tried to heal the rift through numerous phone calls and contact with Muslim elders and imams. Yesterday's visit to the Friendship cafe in Barton Street, just a few hundred yards from where Badat was arrested, was part of that healing process.		http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/news/news.php?article=7832
30/06/2004	Terror suspects sue the Met	The wife and brother of Lotfi Raissi, the man falsely accused by the US of training the September 11 hijackers, will serve high court proceedings today on Sir John Stevens, the Metropolitan police commissioner. Sonia and Mohammed Raissi claim that they were falsely imprisoned, unlawfully detained and assaulted by Sir John's officers. They are seeking damages for humiliation and loss of dignity and a "punitive award for the arbitrary, oppressive and unconstitutional conduct of the police". The Raissis were arrested at 3am on September 21 2001 at their homes in Colnbrook and Hounslow. Mrs Raissi was virtually naked and her brother-in-law was forced to strip. They were held in cells at Paddington Green police station and released without charge, Mr Raissi after two days and Mrs Raissi after five. Lotfi Raissi spent five months in Belmarsh high- security prison after the attacks. The US had told him that he was likely to be charged with conspiracy to murder and could face the death penalty. But a British judge refused to extradite him to America. Mrs Raissi said yesterday: "There was not a shred of evidence that Lotfi had ever been	2	http://www.guardian.co.uk/terrorism/story/0,12780,1250511,00.html
30/06/2004	Muslim family terrorised at Heathrow airport	Special Forces stopped family, shouted at parents and children, and ordered father out of car. According to family, they were unfairly accused of not cooperating and were threatened to be taken to court, and their questions were ignored.	5	FAIR Casework
18/06/2004	David Blunkett loses battle to rid Muslim Assylum Seeker from UK	A suicidal Iraqi Kurd asylum-seeker won a court victory yesterday over David Blunkett in his five-year battle to have his claim for refuge heard in the UK. The Home Secretary wants Mohamed Ali Razgar, 26, to be sent back to Germany, the first country in which he sought asylum, because his human rights claim was "manifestly unfounded". But the Law Lords ruled by a 3-2 majority that he was entitled to stay in the UK until his appeal had been heard. His lawyers argued his health would suffer and he could try to take his life if he were sent back to Germany. He had tried to kill himself in the past as a result of two years of detention and torture in Iraq. Lord Bingham said the asylum-seeker would be able to receive medical help in this country that he might not in Germany. "A decision which, if implemented, might lead to Mr Razgar taking his own life could scarcely ... be dismissed as of insufficient gravity," he said. Mr Razgar was refused asylum by the German authorities, but then claimed asylum in the UK in February 1999. A Home Office spokeswoman said: "The facts of this one case are exceptional and th	1	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/politics/story.jsp?story=532675

18/06/2004	No action on asylum boy's death	<p>No legal action will be taken in relation to the death of an 11-year-old Somalian asylum seeker in a school dining hall, it was revealed last night. Suhail Saleh collapsed at All Saints Roman Catholic secondary school in Barmulloch, Glasgow, on February 24. He was allegedly involved in a scuffle at the school and was later pronounced dead at the city's Stobhill Hospital.</p> <p>A 12-year-old boy was arrested and released pending the result of further investigations by the procurator fiscal.</p> <p>The Crown Office said yesterday it had decided no proceedings would be taken in relation to the youngster's death after a "thorough investigation".</p> <p>Suhail's family came to Scotland in 2000 from Djibouti, near Somalia. The boy had been living with his mother, brother and aunt after the family fled Mogadishu.</p> <p>All Saints has 67 pupils seeking asylum and 23 who have been granted refugee status.</p>	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/Refugees_in_Britain/Story/0,2763,1241588,00.html
18/06/2004	Muslim man beaten unconscious in an unprovoked attack	<p>A MAN who was beaten unconscious in an unprovoked attack by up to 10 people told the Recorder it's a "miracle" he wasn't killed. IT consultant Arif Khan, 29, was returning from a business trip in Manchester when he was attacked by a gang outside Goodmayes Station.</p> <p>He described the moment the men began punching and kicking him: "I was walking down to the car park behind the station when I felt something hard strike me on the back.</p>	1	http://www.ilfordrecorder.co.uk/archived/2004/Wk25/ilfbark/lfnews/beq.asp
18/06/2004	Muslim citizenship applicants told: 'You can only have one wife'	<p>MUSLIM men are being asked to swear that they will not take more than one wife if they are granted citizenship of this country.</p> <p>The Irish Independent has learned that Muslim applicants for post-nuptial citizenship are being required to sign a sworn affidavit that they will not take a second wife in the future.</p> <p>The Irish Council of Civil Liberties (ICCL) last night denounced the practice as "despicable".</p> <p>A spokeswoman for the Department of Justice said it has been the practice to make inquiries "regarding the future marital intentions of some persons".</p> <p>She said such inquiries were made in circumstances where "there was reason to believe that person's cultural or religious beliefs comprehended the possibility of more than one spouse at the same time".</p> <p>ICCL director Aisling Reidy said imposing such a condition on certain people "on the basis of their religious background is blatant discrimination".</p> <p>Ms Reidy said she believed the practice was also in breach of the equality principles in the constitution as the department was failing to treat all applicants equally before the law. She acknowledged that the Muslim faith allows men to take more than one wife. But she pointed out that the department was not asking applicants to swear affidavits</p>		http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/news/news.php?article=7539
18/06/2004	Suspended Muslim barrister was victim of racism in CPS	<p>A senior barrister who was suspended amid accusations that she made insensitive comments about the 11 September attacks on America is to receive damages after an employment tribunal found she was the victim of racial discrimination.</p> <p>The hearing in Leeds found that the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) failed to make the most basic inquiries into allegations against Halima Aziz, 45, before suspending her. Such inquiries would have revealed immediately that the allegations were malicious and false, the tribunal found.</p>	1	http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/legal/story.jsp?story=532682

16/06/2004	Mosque door blocked with Traveller's van	A stand-off has taken place between members of the Muslim and Travelling Communities in Co Mayo. A row broke out in Ballyhaunis when a member of the Travelling Community blocked the entrance to a local Mosque with his van. Two groups of around ten men were involved in a row but no-one was hurt.		http://212.2.162.45/news/story.asp?j=107643820&p=yx76445z6&n=107644580
15/06/2004	Schoolgirl loses Muslim dress court fight	A 15-year-old schoolgirl today lost her High Court battle for the right to wear traditional Muslim dress in the classroom. Shabina Begum said she was being denied her "right to education and to manifest her religious beliefs". At a recent hearing, Shabina's solicitor-advocate Yvonne Spencer argued that the school's ban on her chosen Islamic attire amounted to "constructive exclusion" and breached both domestic law and the European Convention on Human Rights.	1	http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/news/news.php?article=7519
14/06/2004	Gang beat Muslim man in 'racial' attack	A Sudanese man was kicked unconscious by a gang of 20 people in what police have described as a racially motivated attack. The incident happened in Nuneaton in the early hours of Sunday morning. The man, who is in his 40s, was with a group of six men who became involved in a fracas involving 50 predominantly white men. This escalated into a fight and the victim received a broken jaw, fractured arm and neck injuries.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/coventry_warwickshire/3805095.stm
14/06/2004	Pork hurled in race attack on Muslim mum's house	MINDLESS thugs lobbed eggs and a pork chop at the window of a Muslim mother's house in a cruel "attack".She said:- As soon as I saw the pork chop, being a Muslim, it is a clear statement of what they are doing to me.	1	http://icsurreyonline.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0400crawley/tm_objectid=14316492%26method=full%26siteid=50101%26headline=pork%2dhurled%2din%2dtrace%2dattack%2don%2dmuslim%2dnum%2ds%2dhouse
09/06/2004	A divorced Muslim woman in Waterfoot, Lancashire was assaulted by a neighbour who she said she was doing it because she didn't want her living round the area anymore .	Victim has been alienated for some time and had many verbal comments made against her, her family and friends. This was the first physical attack. She says: I am trying to move out of the area as my daughter has no life out of school, I can not let her play out as there is a prominent group of teenagers close by that often victimise us.The police came after I called 999 and it took them 4 hours. Unfortunately no one saw anything and as a result of me asking the police to look for witnesses the neighbours now see me as a "grass".There is no support here and I've not even had support off the local council. I fear the local council do not know how to deal with this situation and others similar as they have told me they have problems with race hate crimes but they are not doing anything about it, it is being allowed to continue.	1+	FAIR Casework
08/06/2004	Neo-Nazi thugs jailed for attacks on Muslim assylum seeker	He said they had shown no remorse for an attack on Iraqi asylum seeker Salar Mohammed, 32. The pair mowed down Mr Mohammed in their Vauxhall Cavalier as he crossed a road in Hull, throwing him into the air "like a rag doll" and breaking his leg in three places. This was just one in a series of violent attacks which brought Hull's racial tensions to boiling point in July last year, the court heard. The judge said: "You have exhibited neo-Nazi tendencies like those shown by some groups that have infected the body politic of this country.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/humber/3784967.stm

04/06/2004	Man in Court on Terror Charge	A man charged with having documents which could be used in terrorism was further remanded in custody at the Old Bailey today. The plea and directions hearing was adjourned to June 18 to allow the prosecution and defence more time to prepare the case. Jacques Karim Abi-Ayad, 39, of Gippeswyk Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, appeared in court by video link. He was charged with two offences under the Terrorism Act of making copies of documents and possessing documents which could be used for terrorism.	1	http://news.scotsman.com/latest.cfm?id=3018783
04/06/2004	Right wing protesters waving Union Jack flags clashed with police and Muslims during Friday prayers outside a London mosque today	Around 20 men, claiming to be from a group called the United British Alliance jeered and shouted anti-Muslim slogans from behind fences set up by police outside the Finsbury Park mosque. There were scuffles after a few protesters seemed to infiltrate the street in which prayers were being held, outside the north London mosque where radical cleric Abu Hamza was based before his arrest.		http://news.scotsman.com/latest.cfm?id=3019604
02/06/2004	A college that paid out record damages to a muslim lecturer in a discrimination case	The head of department had twice been passed over for promotion by the college, and the tribunal unanimously found that his lack of advancement was because of his race.	1	http://news.scotsman.com/scotland.cfm?id=621242004&20040602120657
28/05/2004	Muslim man barred from taking the job of Chief Executive because he is of Pakistani origin and a Muslim.	Aftab Ahmed has begun formal grievance proceedings against Birmingham City Council, claiming he is the victim of racial discrimination. Mr Ahmed, who reached the final stage of a lengthy selection process, was chosen by an appointments panel to head Aston Pride. Already employed by the council he was one of the favourites to get the job. But because the panel's members were split, with five favouring Mr Ahmed and three voting against, the council refused to appoint and the position is being readvertised.	1	http://icbirmingham.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/post/tm_objectid=14282808%26method=full%26siteid=50002%26headline=aston%2dpride%2drace%2dbias%2dallocation-name_page.html
27/05/2004	Increasing xenophobia against Muslims is reason for prejudice against muslim prisoners, campaign group says.	group campaigning to get Tally Ho bomber Jawad Botmeh moved to a low-security prison say his application was refused because of increasing xenophobia against Muslims in the UK. Supporters claim there was not enough evidence for them to be convicted	2	http://www.thisislocalondon.co.uk/news/topstories/display.var.493727.0.race_claim_over_bomber_release_cal.php
27/05/2004	A Muslim teenager was hospitalized after he and his younger brother were brutally attacked by over 30 white men	In an unprovoked attack,3 muslim men were beaten repeatedly hit over the head and face by the mob using baseball bat and snooker cues. One fell down unconscious and was bleeding profusely, but they all continued to beat and kick him. When police arrived instead of helping by giving first aid to Shahid, they told his parents to shut up or they would arrest them.	1	http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/index/press.php?pr=180
27/05/2004	Muslim girl challenges dress ban	A school's refusal to allow a 15-year-old Muslim girl to wear traditional religious dress in the classroom was "a denial of her right to education and right to manifest her religious beliefs", the High Court was told.	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/uklatest/story/0,1271,-4138838,00.html
26/05/2004	Muslim man won case against discrimination by Royal Mail	The Pakistani-born father of two endured the relentless bullying for four years. Despite his repeated complaints, mail bosses did nothing. It was only when a hidden camera showed what was going on at the sorting office in Harlow, Essex, that action was taken.	1	http://www.thesun.co.uk/article/0,,2-2004241524,00.html
24/05/2004	Muslim man working for Royal Mail discriminated against	Muslim man suffering discrimination: religious needs not being met, subjected to verbal abuse, religious & racial harassment. To date Royal Mail has taken no action.		FAIR Casework

24/05/2004	Muslim MEP accusing Tory party of racism	Bashir Khanbhai, the MEP for Norfolk and Suffolk, claims he has been a victim of a racist campaign that has hounded him out of politics.	1	http://observer.guardian.co.uk/politics/story/0,6903,1222776,00.html
21/05/2004	Filipino refused bail & held in custody when no evidence against him-could be held for	A Filipino living in Belfast who is alleged to have links to a group connected to al-Qaeda has been refused bail	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/race/story/0,11374,1221453,00.html
20/5/2004, 24/5/2004, 25/5/2004, Wolverhampton	Muslim man denied access to Jobchange course	A Muslim man claims he has been denied access to a course several times by various tutors, despite prior agreement and payment for the course. He has also claimed that tutors tried to provoke him to take offense by telling him to go elsewhere and questioning his nationality (French) on the basis of his name.	1	FAIR Casework
13/05/2004	Worker accuses council of racial discrimination	CITY council chiefs accused of turning blind eye to racial discrimination against muslim man	1	http://news.scotsman.com/scotland.cfm?id=545672004
10/05/2004	Iraqi 'mown down by hate gang in car chase'	Muslim assylum seeker persecuted by gang	1	http://www.yorkshiretoday.co.uk/viewarticle2.aspx?ArticleID
3/5/2004, Muslim News	Muslim tourist beaten	A Muslim tourist was assaulted and left unconscious by a gang of men during an attack in Worcester on May 3rd. Nauman Zahid, 29, who was visiting from America, was struck with five punches to the head when a gang of around 10 men attacked him from behind in the early hours of Bank Holiday Monday on May 3.	1	http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/paper/index.php?article=1534
29/04/2004	ASIAN PUPILS WERE KICKED AND PUNCHED	Two muslim boys fell victim to an unprovoked racist attack after being kicked and punched by intruders in the grounds of a Stoke-on-Trent school	2	http://www.thesentinel.co.uk/displayNode.jsp?nodeId=67725&command=displayContent&sourceNode=67252&contentPK=9764123
29/04/2004	Racist cell murder probe ordered	Muslim convict beaten to death by racist cell mate	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/london/3668311.stm
27/04/2004	US Imam expects to be deported this week	Imam accused of inciting hatred in an article which he denies and he has written to Press Complaint Commision	1	http://www.muslimnews.co.uk/news/news.php?article=7254
26/04/2004	Trio released after terror quiz	Three people held for a week by Greater Manchester Police on suspicion of terror activities were released without charge at the weekend.	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/3659311.stm
26/04/2004	Sister 'encouraged suicide bomb'	Family of Suicide Bomber taken to court for knowing of his plan	1	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/3659885.stm
23rd April 2004	Immigrant being detained under Terror laws.	Man has been detained for the past six months under new terror laws, once released on 26th April 2004, he will be detained by the Home Office.	1	FAIR Casework

23/4/2004, Guardian	Terror suspect held without trial feared he would stay in prison until he died.	Detained at Heathrow in November 2002, M was initially told he would be charged under the Terrorism Act 2000. But, without explanation, officers changed their minds and held him without charge under the Anti-Terrorism Crime and Security Act 2001, which allows the government to hold foreigners without trial and for unlimited periods. M said it was not until seven months after his arrest that he was told that he was suspected of having links to al-Qaida. Upon arrival at Belmarsh, when he was confronted with fellow Muslim detainees who had been held there without charge or trial, it became clear that he would also be held indefinitely. Last month three appeal court judges upheld a decision by the Special Immigration Appeals Commission that M had been held on "unreliable" evidence and that the home secretary had "exaggerated" links to al-Qaida. Mr Blunkett appealed unsuccessfully against the decision. Much of the evidence against M was heard in secret and the commission concluded some of it was "clearly misleading". A Special Branch report was "inaccurate and conveyed an unfair impression". M refused to take part in his appeal.	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/guardianpolitics/story/0,3605,1201430,00.html
August 2003 to present	LEA not providing Muslim disabled man with appropriate accomodation	Council offered him accomodation without wheelchair access, hence not appropriate as he uses wheelchair. Case went to court and Mr B lost. He has appealed against decision. Case pending	1	FAIR Casework
Reported in BBC Online on 11th April 2004	Mosque marquee was burnt down.	Burnt tent was to be used for about 2,000 people to have breakfast before entering the mosque.		http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/london/3617845.stm
Reported in Guardian on 6th April 2004	Muslim woman's corpse desecrated with bacon in hospital.	Muslim woman whose corpse was desecrated with bacon as it lay in a hospital mortuary.	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/crime/article/0,2763,1186673,00.html
Reported in 'IC Birmingham' on 21st March 2004	Mosque receives anthrax scare & warning letter	Threatening letter to mosque contained powder & anti-Islamic literature warning that further action would be taken against Muslims in the area and that muslims would be killed in retaliation and that blood of Muslim children would be spilled like innocent blood was spilled in Spain.		http://icbirmingham.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/mercury/page.cfm?objectid=14075178&method=full&siteid=50002
Reported in Observer on 21st March 2004	Muslims suffer bomb backlash	Man tried to run Muslim woman off a flyover and a Muslim girl abducted.	2	http://observer.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,6903,1174514,00.html
Reported in Guardian on 19th March 2004	Faith hate attack on Muslim graves	40 Muslim graves headstones were smashed and pictures removed from the graves in Charlton cemetery in the south-east of the city in a faith hate attack thought to have been sparked by the Madrid bombings.		http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,1173125,00.html
Reported in Chester Chronicle on 13 feb 04	Racist vandals target mosque	Verbal abuse toward imam and visitors to the mosque, smashing windows of mosque and visitors' cars.		http://iccheshireonline.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/chesterchronicle/content_objectid=13946323_method=full_siteid=50020_headline=-Racist-vandals-target-mosque-name_page.html
6th feb 04	Muslim man unfairly sacked from the AIG	Man racially abused at work, then dismissed for gross misconduct. Taken case to a tribunal hearing is in March 04	1	FAIR Casework
Reported in Guardian on 27th Jan 2004	Teacher accused of assault on Muslim girl	A senior teacher "forcibly" pulled a headscarf from the head of 15-year-old Muslim pupil, then "demonstrated hostility" towards the girl's religion, a jury was told today.	1	http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,1131901,00.html

24/01/2004	Inquiry into arrest of Muslim suspect	Officers accused of being heav handed and racist in arrest of suspects		http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,1130085,00
20/1/2004 Haymills, Birmingham	Mulim woman is assulted and verbally abused	A muslim woman wearing the hijab is walking along her road near her home at 3.50pm. A man runs into her bumping into her shoulder, even though she was not near th mean herself.. Man said 'sorry love', but seemed intent on persuing her. The woman let the man cross the road before her, he then said to her, 'you better not walk along the road with me'. the woman called th police..	1	FAIR Casework
15/1/2004, wocester park, surrey	Muslim women has egg thrown at her	A muslim woman went to visit her new home in worcester park, surrey and had an egg thrown at her, particularly demeaning because the reason behind her move is to flee the racist atacks she expereined in her home in chingford, and now she has to face up to the prospect that she may continued to be harrassed in her new home.	1	FAIR Casework
07/01 2004 Belfast Northern Ireland	Pregnant Pakistani woman and her brother-in-law targeted in a racially motivated attack	A 8 and a half month pregnant Pakistani woman and her brother in law attacked. six foot wooden plank was thrown through the front window a house in which they were in. The area where they had been eating a short time earlier was showered in glass. They were left badly shocked. They had only moved into the house hours before the attack.	2	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/northern_ireland/3378927.stm
24-Dec-03	Two men attacked in Hull	Two victims of Bangladeshi origin. were loading a van with furniture on Hesse Road at about 1700 GMT when two molotov cocktails were thrown into the back of the van. One exploded, showering one of the men's legs with burning fuel. Police said two of the victims were then assaulted as they tried to restrain the attackers. Inspector Steven Dalrymple from Humberside Police says the incident has sickened officers in the force. The two attackers are described as white, aged in their late 20s or early 30s, of medium build and clean shaven. Anyone with any information about the attack is urged to contact police.	2	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/humber/3347971.stm
23/12/2003 Southampton	Asylum seeker died after push	A BUS driver has been found guilty of manslaughter after he fatally shoved an Afghan asylum seeker at the end of a night out in Southampton. It ended a trial lasting more than two weeks, in which the jury heard how 17-stone Briant had shoved Afghani Mohammed Isa Hasan Ali, who was half his size, in the chest. The 22-year-old asylum seeker tumbled to the ground "like a ton of bricks", the court was told, falling with his hands in his pockets so he was unable to stop his head cracking on the pavement. He suffered a fractured skull, but managed to walk back to his home in Ancasta Road, Bevois Valley. There, Mr Ali told friends he had a severe headache. Less than 36 hours later, the man who had fled his home country because he was being tortured by the Taliban was found dead in his bed. Throughout the trial, 21-year-old Briant claimed he thought Mr Ali was about to touch his girlfriend, Sarah James, when he pushed him out of the way in Above Bar Street. He repeatedly said he didn't intend to hurt Mr Ali - and the court heard that he had broken down in tears after seeing his victim fall unconscious. But the prosecution high	01-Jan-00	Southampton Echo:

9/12/2003, Worcestershire	Boy kicked in 'racist' attack	<p>A mother was slapped and her five-year-old son kicked in the stomach in what police are describing as a racist attack in north Worcestershire.</p> <p>The woman was walking with her three children along Grove Street, Redditch, at about 1400 GMT on Saturday when it happened.</p> <p>West Mercia Police said two women walked past the family and one of them claimed the victim's son had hit her with a twig. Police said the woman then shouted racist abuse at the mother, slapped her across the face and kicked her five-year-old son in the stomach. The two women then walked off.</p> <p>The attacker is described as white, 5 ft 3 in tall and aged in her 30s. Police are appealing for an Asian woman who walked past the group to come forward as she may be able to help with their inquiries.</p>	2	The Muslim News
24/10/2003 Liverpool	Man of Pakistani origin charged with assault and has had house burnt down by the allegors	<p>Mr F contacted FAIR on 30 Dec 03. He had been assaulted by two women living on his block in Liverpool. Instead Mr F has been made the suspect and has been charged with 2 counts of assault including Indecent Assault. He had to change his solicitor because of failure to act when necessary and giving him contrary advice, e.g. telling him to have his injuries assessed when they would have settled down. Mr F felt that his first solicitor did not help him out because he was Asian. He is unsure about his present solicitor because he has not made any effective differences, though there are no racial prejudices existent. Mr F, house was burgled and then burnt he is homeless and has lost everything. The police have not charged anyone with the robbery and burning of his home, Mr F believes the original two women are responsible for his homeless status but the police have not questioned them on the matter because 'of a lack of evidence', yet have questioned and charged him with assault on virtually no evidence.. On 7th January charge of indecent assault was dropped and only charge of common assault under s.39 made against him, eradicated</p>	1	FAIR Casework
16/10/2003	A young Muslim woman and her two children have been forced to flee their home in County Armagh.	<p>Muslim woman's home came under attack by a stone-throwing gang, windows smashing,</p>	3	http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/northern_ireland/3198316.stm
08/10/2003	Muslim was victimised in Labour's selection	<p>A Pakistani Muslim was victimised and racially discriminated against by the Labour Party after it failed to select him as a council candidate for a Birmingham ward, a tribunal has ruled.</p>	1	http://icbirmingham.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0100localnews/content_objectid=13491441_method=full_siteid=50002_headline=Muslim%2Dwas%2Dvictimized%2Din%2DLabour%2
1/8/2003, North London	Muslim family victim of both physical and verbal abuse from their neighbours	<p>family have been a victim of both physical and verbal abuse from their neighbours, which have resulted in her husband being admitted to hospital following an attack with a baseball bat. The offenders have called Mrs G family 'dirty Muslim's' and demanded that they should go back to their country and more worryingly threatened to kill Mrs G's husband on a number of occasions.</p>	family	FAIR Casework

1/6/2003 ongoing for 9 months	Racially Motivated murder	A father-of-three attacked by two white men on the busy Walthamstow High Street. He allegedly confronted the men after they made racist comments. They then knocked him down and kicked him as he lay on the ground. Police are treating the attack as racially motivated.	1	Independent race and refugees network
29/03/2003	They Showed Disrespect For My Religion	Muslim watching tennis match was suspected of being a terrorist. "The officers were all about 6ft tall and armed. They were very heavy-handed and it was extremely intimidating. They showed disrespect for my back problem, my race and my religion.	1	http://www.stopoliceterror.com/articles.php#ARTICLE25
05/03, Reading	Mosque attacked in Reading.	Jame Mosque in Reading was attacked in the early hours of Friday morning. Speculation was that the backlash could have been caused by all the media hype about the latest suicide-bombing against Israeli atrocities in the occupied territories being carried out by a British citizen. The Imam at Jame Mosque Yasir Hafiz told The Muslim News that he discovered a window was broken when he woke for morning prayers at 4.30 am and later the Mosque called the police. He said it was a particularly malicious attack because the window was double glazed. Hafiz suggested that could be connected with the backlash over the suicide bombing or may be linked with three other attacks that have been carried out against mosques since the start of the war with Iraq.		The Muslim News
Early 2003-on going, Chingford, London, E4	Racial Harrasment/physical abuse to Muslim family.	Mrs H contacted FAIR in Oxtober 2003, after she and her family had been subjected to ongoing racial abuse and violence from their neighbourhood. This has lead to sever mental health consequences for her child, she had documented the incident to the police, however, after receiving direct threats from the perpretatots, she has dropped the case. Mrs H has contacted the local housing authority to be re-house, the housing authority had rehoused her, but within the same are, and the racial harrasment is still present to the same degree. FAIR has written to her local housing department and to her MP, Iain Duncan Smith, to push the efforts into having Mrs H and her family re-housed to another town.	Family	FAIR Casework
19th Feb 2003, Wales	Muslim shopper attacked	A RACIST thug attacked a Muslim shopper then later told police, "We're bombing them anyway", a court heard yesterday. "Mr Hashi was tapped on the shoulder by Price, who then grabbed him by the arm and punched him. Mr Hashi suffered bruising and a cut to the neck during the attack in September 2001 - just 10 days after the Sptember 11 terror attacks on New York.	1	http://icwales.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0200wales/page.cfm?objectid=12653891&method=full&siteid=50082
18th Feb 2003, Birmingham	Troubled depot in racism allegations	Racists comments made to a muslim colleague regarding military action against Iraq and Muslims in Birmingham.	1	http://icbirmingham.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0100localnews/page.cfm?objectid=12651020&method=full&siteid=50002
11th Jan 2003, Wales	Muslim man attacked on way to mosque	Mark Joce, 24, grabbed a ceremonial cap being worn by Shadfar Mohammed Khan before spraying him with beer. He then punched him to the head. His friend, Dean Evans, 20, spat in Mr Khan's face. Mr Khan was also taunted with the words "Osama bin Laden"	1	http://icwales.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0200wales/page.cfm?objectid=12522239&method=full&siteid=50082

9th April 2002, Leicester	40 graves desecrated and a prayer hall damaged	Vandals went on rampage at the Saffron Hill Cemetery where they toppled 41 headstones at the Muslim part of the cemetery. They also broke a window of the Janazah prayer (prayer for the dead) hall. The Muslim community believes this attack is due to the war against Iraq as such Islamophobic attacks "are quite rare in Leicester due to good relations with different communities", Shockat Patel, whose mother Mariam's grave was desecrated said: "We were devastated and felt totally hopeless. How can people stoop so low and violate the sanctity of dead people."		Contact FAIR for further information
29th March 2002, Southsea, Portsmouth,	Masjid vandalised	The Jami Mosque in Bradford Junction, Southsea, Portsmouth, was desecrated with racist slogans and a swastika daubed on the front doors. The next day, bricks were thrown at the door and through the window. One window was smashed. The slogan said, 'Out Now'. Former President of the Mosque, Muhammed Badruzaman, whose garage was firebombed in the aftermath of September 11 atrocities, said that Mosque's congregation get a lot of verbal attacks, like 'Go home', 'bin Ladin', etc. "I believe these attacks are in reaction to the war against Iraq,"		Contact FAIR for further information
24th March 2002, Batley- West Yorkshire	Masjid firebombed	No one was hurt as the incident took place at 10.30 at night. Two windows were broken. The cost of the damage is yet not known. The Muslim community is blaming the police. "There has not been an increase of police presence since the outbreak of the war," complained Chairman of the Madinah mosque, Dr Abdulrahim Rajpura. He added: "Thank God no one was injured." Last year, a pig's head was thrown into the Mosque compound. A police spokesman told The Muslim News that the local Muslim community did not want an increase in police presence as this would "have an adverse effect and create anxiety in the community".		Contact FAIR for further information
23rd March 2002, Sutton, Surrey	A Muslim woman assaulted	A Muslim woman wearing the hijab, was in her car dropping kids to school. A car passed by with lowered windows and spat at her. Fortunately, her window was closed. "I was shocked and upset," she said.	1	Contact FAIR for further information
Swindon	Asian Women Brutally Beaten With A baseball Bat.	Two white men pounced on the 19-year-old woman in Swindon and repeatedly hit her around the head. The victim was released from hospital after being treated for bruising. A Wiltshire police spokeswoman said: "This was a totally unprovoked and cowardly attack on a decent and well-respected member of the Swindon community, who just happens to be a Muslim."	1	Contact FAIR for further information
South London	Asian Man who lost daughter in the September attacks is the victim of religious hatred.	Mr Syed Ali, 68, says he has been the target of racism while he waits to hear news of Sarah, his daughter who was attending a conference on the 106th floor of the World Trade Centre's North Tower when it was hit by one of the hijacked planes. The retired Whitehall civil servant told The Sun: "I have received a bad reaction in the street - gnashes of teeth, bad looks. But they don't know I lost a daughter in the bombing - they just see an Asian or an Arab."	1	Source: The Sun

West Sussex.	The 19-year-old Asian youth was stabbed by a gang of white men.	<p>A man has been arrested in connection with the stabbing of an Iranian woman in West Sussex. The 51-year-old from Worthing is being questioned about the attack.</p> <p>The victim, a 55-year-old woman, who has not been named, is being treated for serious injuries in a London hospital. The attack happened outside her home in Worthing, West Sussex. As she was getting out of her car, a man wearing a balaclava sprayed her in the face with an incapacitant spray before stabbing her in the head and face.</p> <p>Detective Constable Kim Clinch said: "This was an extremely vicious attack and the victim who is Iranian will be left permanently scarred as a result of her injuries."</p> <p>Sussex Police, who believe the attack was racially-motivated, are appealing for anyone with information to come forward.</p>	1	Contact FAIR for further information
22nd Jan 2002, London	Mosque Destroyed by Arson Attack	Vandals went on rampage at the Saffron Hill Cemetery where they toppled 41 headstones at the Muslim part of the cemetery. They also broke a window of the Janazah prayer (prayer for the dead) hall.		Contact FAIR for further information
14/01/02 London	Mosque Destroyed by Arson Attack	A Bangladeshi cultural centre and mosque and mosque on Stock place, (near a railway arch) in East London, was set alight in the early hours of the morning at around 2-3am.		Contact FAIR for further information
9th Oct 200, London	Harassment in the work place	Suspension of Muslim Arabic teacher, from a London school, after a whole host of unfounded allegations made against him.	1	Contact FAIR for further information
5th Oct 2001 London	Harassment in the work place	Ongoing incident reported on the 5/10/01. Young Mauritius nurse who has faced continued harassment since she started work at King's College Hospital, London. Prior to the 11th of September comments and abuse was directed primarily towards her ethnicity, however since the 11th the issue of her religious background has become more problematic for her co-workers. They have displayed overt anti Islamic sentiment towards her. Threatening to sack her and advertising her post as vacant, whilst she is still working there and has no intentions to leave.	1	Contact FAIR for further information
27th Sept 2001, London – Newham	Harassment	A woman wearing hijab, while driving on Newham Highway was harassed by 4-5 Asian young men (20-30years) who were travelling in another car. They shouted abuse and spat at her car. They drove in a manner making her driving very difficult swerving in front of her, slowing down then speeding up. They continued to follow her as she turned off the dual carriageway and only desisted when they observed her on the phone to the police for the third time.	1	Contact FAIR for further information
24th Sept 2001, London TW3	Verbal Abuse	The Sound Vision Islamic Shop reported verbal abuse being shouted at a Hijab wearing woman by another woman on the street in Hanslow.		Tel: 020 8570 1999, 86 Kingsley Rd, Hanslow, TW3 1QA

19th Sept 200, London NW6	Verbal Abuse	A mother collecting her child from Avenue (Muslim) School, in North West London, was approached by two men shouting abuse at her. She had to sit and wait in her car, as the men were 'cussing' from outside until they left her. It is feared that many more parents are facing the same sort of treatment, but support from public was ever increasing with a large number of support letters to the school.	1 (known to FAIR)	Tel: 020 8451 1578, 5-7 The Avenue, London, NW6 7YG
19th Sept 2001, Dublin	Bomb Scare	4. A bomb threat was given to the Muslim Natural School, in Dublin, at around 8:30 on Wednesday the 19th September. The police was called in and searched the premises and the surrounding areas, nothing was found. Mr Colm McGlade, principal at the school, said: "The centre has never had any problems with the community before, and these appear to be isolated incidents apart from the odd looks from people and occasional abusive phone calls to the neighbouring Islamic Centre." A special management meeting was held to discuss security measures at the centre		Tel: 00 3531 296 1340, 19 Roebuck Road, Clonskeagh, D14.
18th sept 2001, London TW3	Abusive Messages	Abusive and threatening messages were left on the Sound Vision Islamic Shop's answering machine. The incident was reported to the Police.		Tel: 020 8570 1999, 86 Kingsley Rd, Hanslow, TW3 1QA
17th Sept 2001, London – Wood Green	Verbal Abuse	A young Muslim man with a beard was forced to walk out of the bakery where he works in Wood Green, after continual religious and racial abuse from colleagues. Statements such as: "How's your brother – Osama bin Laden, ... were gonna get you Islamic b***ards, ... you're a bloody terrorist I bet you got a bomb on your body." were directed towards him.	1	
17th sept 2001, London N4	Damage to Property	The Muslim Welfare House in North London had a wine bottle thrown through a window into its main office. The incident happened on Sunday evening, no one was in the property and nobody was hurt.		Tel: 020 7263 3071, 233 Seven Sister Road, Finsbury Park, London N4 20A
17th sept 2001, Haugh Bolton	Islamic centre set alight	Jamia Alavia Islamic Centre in Bolton, Lancashire, was set alight with a petrol bomb. 2 or 3 petrol bombs thrown against the building, luckily as they had grills, no one was hurt. Three huge windows shattered, 20 people, including children, were praying Isha Prayers, at 9:10pm, Manchester police have not apprehended anyone.		Contact FAIR for further information
17th sept 2001 (date reported to FAIR) Swansea	Death threats, damage to property, discrimination	1. The RAHMA has received a number of incidents in the Swansea area. They have received at least 2 death threats to individual families, bricks through the central mosque (Swansea) window individuals harassed in the street and a school girl receiving 2 weeks detention for questioning teacher's interpretation of the incidents that happened on the 11th.		e-mail: incident@rahma.org.uk, or omer_williams@hotmail.com
16th Sept 2001 Twickenham, London	Attack leads to man being left paralysed	An Afghan taxi driver, Hamidullah Gharwal (28), was attacked, on September 16 at about 3am. He was left paralysed from the neck down. On the September 17, 3 men aged 25, presumed white were arrested on suspicion of GBH. They are all bailed to return on the September 25 to the Southwest London Police. Attackers shouted racial abuse at him; he was hit over the head with a bottle and kicked while he lay on the ground. The motive of the incident is unsure, as it started off regarding a dispute on the mini cab fare, from Acton to Twickenham. However, comments were made about the US incident, but police have not been able to confirm what was said.	1	Contact FAIR for further information

15th sept 2001 London – Limehouse	Physical Assault	1. Two girls (sisters) were attacked by 3 girls outside Limehouse Station at about 4pm. One girl was pulled to the ground by a 'mixed race' girl kicked repeatedly and punched. Several people passed by but made no effort to assist. The girl suffered a fractured nose, 2 black eyes and bruising. Her sister was 'pushed around' but was not seriously hurt. The other two girls were of Asian extraction. The Police were informed.	2	Contact FAIR for further information
15th sept 2001 London NW8	Bomb Scare	1. A Bomb threat was made to the Islamic Cultural Centre, Regents Park, at about 3pm just after a press conference organised by the coalition of Muslim Organisations who had met to condemn the horrific attacks in the U.S.		Contact FAIR for further information
15th Sept 2001 (date reported to FAIR)	Threatening and offensive e-mails	1. The Islamic News and Information Network received several threatening, offensive and abusive e-mails. Several emanated from outside the UK, one had a German address, and another referred to parties in Holland if America attacks the Arab world. Several were death slogans, others anticipating military action with excitement.		Contact FAIR for further information
15th sept 2001 Birmingham	Verbal Abuse & Physical Assault	1. A group of 7 thugs wielding bottles of beer as weapons attacked a group of young Muslim men. The attack happened in Birmingham City Centre, and was unprovoked, and believed to be linked to the attack on the WTC in NY. A fight broke out for about 5 minutes, after which one or two attempted a second attack. Police arrived 10 minutes after the incident had finished and were said to be very unhelpful in attitude and approach. In a statement to FAIR the young Muslim man said: "I believe this is a direct result of the incident in NY and the poor portrayal of Muslims in the media. The thugs were clearly targeting men with beards" "The police didn't do much, reluctant help and take statements, ... they were telling the people who saw the incident to go away making no attempt to gather witnesses." "When pushed for it the police, took two statements and one of the victims had to demand to give a statement." The most severely injured was an English convert wearing a beard and a turban.		Contact FAIR for further information
15th sept 2001 London E14	Verbal Abuse & Physical Assault	An elderly man and his young daughter were chased in their home, by a group of young thuggish men who were chanting religious slurs and pelting them with missiles. The incident occurred on an estate in Poplar, East London. Some of the thugs are thought to reside in the same estate.	2	Contact FAIR for further information
14th Sept 2001 London – Tooting	Assault	Balham Mosque reported an incident where two Muslim women were assaulted on Tooting High Street having their scarves pulled off and were spat at. They are collecting a register of incidents that have taken place in the area.	2	Contact FAIR for further information
14th sept 2001 Sheffield	Bomb Scare	Sheffield Allyah Jamia Mosque received a bomb threat through the post at 10am on Friday 14th September threatening, "Close the Mosque down or we will bomb it". The police were notified.		Contact FAIR for further information
14th sept 2001 London - Harrow	Verbal Abuse	A Muslim woman in Harrow, London was harassed by a taxi driver who stopped his taxi in the street and shouted: "you will pay for what you've done".	1	Contact FAIR for further information

14/09/01 London W12	Arson Attack	An arson attack left the interior walls of a maisonette on Richmond Way W12, London, charred black with soot and smoke, after a likely petrol bomb attack, through the letterbox of a Muslim family. The incident took place at around midnight, after the lines to telephone; power and alarm cables were deliberately cut. No one is reported to be hurt, which was directed to the block of residential flats that mainly house Muslim families. The same resident, returned to see, that the flat that had just been torched, now had religious hate messages and slurs pasted on the blackened walls. He believes the same group were responsible for the fire, and unequivocally linked to the incidents in America.		Contact FAIR for further information
14/09/01& 11/09/01 Birmingham	Verbal Abuse & Physical Assault	A woman had a newspaper, depicting pictures of the carnage and destruction of the WTC, brandished in her face. Two days later, a skinhead, wearing a bomber jacket, sprayed beer in her face at a busy bus stop. In a statement sent to the FAIR office she said: "I was shocked and deeply saddened by the horrific events that took place in NY on Tue 11 Sep, ...my prayers and thoughts go to all the victims and their families." "I am concerned by the backlash being experienced by the British Muslims, ... when the nation is grieving, when people of all faiths, colour and creed should be joined together, ... I have had to endure racial abuse, ... as a women living and working in Britain I fell vulnerable and unsafe." "I believe this is due to the mass hysteria, fear and panic caused by the media and politicians, ...unless decisive steps are taken to improve the portrayal of Muslims incidents of racial abuse and violence will only increase." "We live in an integrated and multicultural society and I hope that we can continue to live together with mutual respect and regard for each others way of life."	1	Contact FAIR for further information
14/ 09/01 London	Vicious Knife Attack	After the events of September 11th the victim, an English revert, began receiving hate mail from Combat 18. The first letter arrived on 14th September, this was followed by 11 more until his attack on 31st October. Threats made demanding that he and his wife should move from their current location or "DIE".. On the 31st October the attacker used a knife which he repeatedly attempted to stab his victim with, however the victim survived the attack. Following appeals to the local housing association the family moved a week later within the same borough. His children were attending an Islamic school. They continued to go to school after the move, however after the resumption of normal life, he received another letter at the new address: saying that "we didn't succeed this time but next time we will, so beware." signed C.18 All the letters were written in red with the characteristic C.18 written in black which is apparently their trade mark!	Family	Contact FAIR for further information
13th Sept 2001 Exeter	Religious Provocation	In an incident against the Islamic Centre of the South West, in Exeter, 10 pigs heads were deliberately dumped in the centre's car park.		

13th Sept 2001 Belfast	Damage to Property	Muslims attending a Belfast mosque are clearing up after their building was attacked on Thursday 13th September. Arsonists threw three bricks at the mosque in Wellington Park in the south of the city during the night smashing two windows. No one was injured. A senior representative from the mosque has said the police dealt with the issue very efficiently and effectively. There has been encouragement from the local community with letters of support and money being donated. Sinn Fein has condemned the incident. There is speculation the US terror attacks were the reason behind the mosque being targeted. Sinn Fein MLA Alex Maskey said: "An attack on any place of worship is completely reprehensible - no less so the mosque which was attacked this morning." "To use the tragedy in America as a mask for such attacks is merely to mask intolerance and racism." "Those who carried out this attack should desist immediately. Intolerance and racism can have no place in our society."		Contact FAIR for further information
13th Sept 2001 London SW17	Damage to Property	Tooting Islamic Centre received phone call death threats on Thursday 13th September. Since then several windows have been smashed with air pistols. Threatening and offensive graffiti were left on the mosque walls.		Contact FAIR for further information
13/09/01 London – Elephant & Castle	Verbal Abuse & Physical Assault	A woman was chased out of a newsagent, by a group of large hefty men, while they were shouting religious profanity and attempting to rip off her headscarf. The incident occurred in Elephant & Castle while she went in to shop, in what is seen as an unprovoked attack on the young women as a direct result of the attack on the WTC in NY.	1	Contact FAIR for further information
13th Sept 2001, Neasden, London	Woman assaulted	An Egyptian lady in Hijab was driving her car. A white man stopped her under the pretext of needing directions, she opened the window, he then threw eggs at her.	1	Contact FAIR for further information
13/09/01 Chiswick	Verbal Abuse & Threat of Physical Assault	A woman wearing a headscarf was subject to religious profanity by two other women, while walking her child in his buggy, on Sutton Court Road W4, London. The woman, an English convert, felt distressed and upset after the incident. One of the tormentors of the women said "f***ing Muslims I wish I could shoot them all." In the woman's statement to FAIR she said: "I don't feel bitter or hold any grudges towards anyone, because I feel and understand the grief of people, but the common and everyday Muslims should not have to be fearful of reprisals or revenge attacks." "I blame the media for choosing spokesman for the Muslim community that only represent a small extreme faction, as the reason behind such attacks."	1	Contact FAIR for further information
12th Sept 2001, Longsight, Glasgow.	Young muslim woman verbally and physically assaulted	A 20-year-old girl was going to her sister's house by bus. During the journey, a white man sitting behind her said "you Muslim bastard" and then he hit her over the head with a glass Tizer bottle. Nobody came to her rescue; she remained quiet after the incident, as she was too frightened and alighted at her stop. "I was in a daze and didn't know what to do, the driver didn't do anything even though he saw what had happened. The bus was full. It is a sad thing because of anti-Muslim feeling that no one came to my rescue," she told The Muslim News.	1	The Muslim news

12/09/01 London NW9	Telephone Threats	<p>Islamia, a Muslim school, had to shut as a security measure after a string of threatening phone calls aimed towards its pupils, parents and staff. It re-opened after 3 days of closure on Monday 17th September. Abdullah Trevathon, a New Yorker himself, also reported several cases of verbal abuse experienced by staff and parents on the street. One parent suffered five separate incidents of assault and also in his shop. Comments such as 'barbaric savages' and 'scum of the earth' were directed towards them.</p> <p>Islamia Primary school has 200 pupils. (Reported in an article in the Times, Friday 14th September)</p>		Contact FAIR for further information
11/09/01 & 12/09/01 London	Threatening e-mails	<p>The Muslim Council of Britain (MCB) received a series of threatening and offensive e-mails. One stated that 'I may even begin to have sympathy with the national front.' Several had 'go back home' messages and others expressed a desire that Nato/America kill/bomb Muslims/Palestinians.</p>		Contact FAIR for further information
11th Sept 2001, East Finchley	Instant verbal abuse after 9/11 incidences to students at school	<p>In a State Comprehensive Boys School in East Finchley on the day of the attack, a television was on in the 6th form common room. As an instant reaction, Asian/Arab looking people were all called "Terrorists", by white pupils, they also muttered; "Bastards, we'll get them."</p>		Contact FAIR for further information
11th Sept 2001, Brent	Islamic school forced to shut down after threats	<p>Britain's first state funded Islamic School: Islamia primary School, was forced to close, after threatening telephone calls, since the incident in the USA on Tuesday September 11. Two other schools on the site, a secondary school and sixth-form college for girls and in total around 500 pupils have been kept at home since Wednesday September 12. The school reopened on Monday September 17.</p>		Contact FAIR for further information